CAPSULE SUMMARY BA-2948 Albert P. Woodruff House Parkton, Baltimore County Ca. 1830 Private

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The two-and-a-half-story Albert P. Woodruff House is four bays wide. The five-course American bond brick building has a side gable roof clad in asphalt shingles and sits on a coursed rubble stone foundation. Two stretcher bond brick chimneys, both of which have been reconstructed, rise from the interior of the gable ends of the main block. Contemporary to the construction date of the main block, the four-bay-deep wood frame ell extends to the west flush with the main block's north elevation. The ell, which was originally one-and-a-half-stories tall, was raised a full story circa 1900 and is presently clad in German siding. In 1999, a one-and-a-half-story wood frame addition clad in weatherboard was built onto the back of the ell. An exterior end stretcher bond brick chimney with shoulders bisects the west elevation of this addition. A two-story gallery porch spans the depth of the ell and is flush with the south elevation of the main block. To the northeast of the house is a circa 1920 garage that fronts east and sits close to York Road. A circa 1930 animal shelter is located at the crest of a low hill that ascends to the northwest of the dwelling.

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1. Name of I	Property	(indicate preferred r	name)					
historic	Albert P. Wood	ruff House						
other								
2. Location								
street and number	21010 York Ro	ad					not fo	or publication
city, town	Parkton						vicin	ity
county	Baltimore Coun	ity						
3. Owner of	Property	(give names and mailing	addres	ses of a	II owners)		
name	P. Barrett and B	arbara J. Orendorff						
street and number	21010 York Ro	ad				telephone	410.32	29.8071
city, town	Parkton		state	Mary	land	zip code	21120-	-9248
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7. Description		Inventory No. BA-2948		
Condition				
excellent	deteriorated			
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fair	altered			

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Albert P. Woodruff House, erected circa 1830, is a two-and-a-half-story dwelling that fronts east at 21010 York Road in the vicinity of Parkton, in Baltimore County, Maryland. The four-bay-wide, five-course American bond brick building has a side gable roof clad in asphalt shingles and sits on a coursed rubble stone foundation. Two stretcher bond brick chimneys, both of which have been reconstructed, rise from the interior of the gable ends of the main block. Contemporary to the construction date of the main block, the four-bay-deep wood frame ell extends to the west flush with the main block's north elevation. The ell, which was originally one-and-a-half-stories tall, was raised a full story circa 1900 and is presently clad in German siding. In 1999, a one-and-a-half-story wood frame addition clad in weatherboard was built onto the back of the ell. An exterior end stretcher bond brick chimney with shoulders bisects the west elevation of this addition. A two-story gallery porch spans the depth of the ell and is flush with the south elevation of the main block. To the northeast of the house is a circa 1920 garage that fronts east and sits close to York Road. A circa 1930 animal shelter is located at the crest of a low hill that ascends to the northwest of the dwelling.

EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION

The façade, or east elevation, features an offset six-paneled single-leaf door with a multi-light fixed transom with applied leading. Flanking the door are three 6/6 windows. Four 6/6 windows pierce the second story. All façade openings feature square-edged wood surrounds, sills, and lintels. The window openings of the first story have operable paneled wood shutters, while those of the second story have operable louvered wood shutters. All façade shutters are historic. Ghost lines on the façade indicate the historic presence of a one-story, full-width porch with a half-hipped roof. No other evidence of the porch is extant.

Two 6/6 windows with square-edged wood surrounds and sills pierce each of the first two stories of the main block's north elevation. The operable paneled shutters of the first story and louvered shutters of the second story are circa 1999 replacements. Two two-light D-lights with square-edged wood surrounds and sills and two-course rowlock round-arched lintels pierce the gable peak of the main block. The shed-roofed one-story addition dominates the first story of the ell. A sash-and-paneled single-leaf wood door with a square-edged wood surround provides entry through the east elevation of this addition. The north elevation of the addition is pierced by one 6/6 window with round-edged wood surround and square-edged wood sills. To the east of this addition, the first story of the ell features one 6/6 window with a round-edged wood surround and square-edged wood sills. Four 6/6 windows with round-edged wood surrounds and square-edged wood sills pierce the second story of the ell.

The west elevation of the main block is pierced by one 6/6 window with molded wood surround and square-edged wood lintel and sill at each of the first two stories. One 6/6 window with a square-edged wood surround and sill pierces the attic story of the two-and-a-half-story ell. Two 6/6 windows with molded wood surrounds and square-edged wood sills flank the chimney on the west elevation of the one-story gabled addition to the ell.

Two 6/6 windows with square-edged wood surrounds and sills pierce each of the first two stories of the main block's south elevation. Two fixed four-light D-lights with molded wood surrounds, square-edged wood sills, and two-course rowlock round-arched lintels flank the chimney in the gable peak. One thirty-light double-leaf vinyl door with a molded wood surround and two 6/6 windows with molded wood surrounds and sills pierce the first story of the ell. The second story of the ell features three 2/2 windows with square-edged wood surrounds and sills. Additionally, a sash-and-paneled single-leaf wood door opens onto the second story of the gallery porch. A thirty-light double-leaf vinyl door pierces the south elevation of the one-story addition to the ell.

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INTERIOR DESCRIPTION

The interior of the main block features a hall/parlor plan with the second-floor access in the ell, and features a mixture of historic and non-historic materials. The first and second floors of the main block retain their original room arrangement. The ell, however, was enlarged from one-and-a-half-stories to two-and-a-half-stories circa 1900, and its first and second floors now feature altered plans.

The two first-floor rooms of the main block feature rectangular chimneybreasts with identical fireplace mantles composed of recessed-paneled pilasters supporting tripartite entablatures with recessed central oval panels. The fireplace of the hall has a slate hearth, while a brick hearth projects from the fireplace of the parlor. The walls of both rooms have been built-up with sheetrock and plywood, and non-historic baseboards, chair rails and cornice molding have been applied to the surface of each room. The window surrounds are molded and feature round-edged interior sills. A wide entry opening with paneled double-leaf pocket doors and molded wood casement divides the hall and parlor.

A paneled single-leaf door with a molded casement separates the hall from the ell. Ascending along the wall between the main block and the ell is a straight-rise open-stringer stair. The bull-nosed bottom step supports the turned newel post and scroll terminus of the molded handrail. Turned balusters on tall, square bases support the handrail. The room in which the stair is located is currently used as a dining room, and features built-up wall surfaces similar to those of the main block. Although the five-and-a-half-inch tall square-edged baseboard is original to the construction of the dwelling, the chair rail and cornice moldings are 20th century additions. Below the second-floor stair landing, a paneled single-leaf door with a square-edged casement accesses the straight-rise stair to the basement.

The kitchen, which has been extensively renovated since 1999, features modern cabinetry and wood flooring. The room retains some four-foot high beaded vertical board wall cladding that dates to the turn-of-the-20th century. The original kitchen hearth, which is five feet tall and seven feet wide, has a parged surround and square-edged wood mantle. To the west of the hearth is a beaded vertical board single-leaf door with a square-edged wood surround that opens into storage space below a winder stair that ascends to the second story of the ell.

OUTBUILDINGS

The circa 1920 garage, located close to York Road and to the northeast of the main house, is a one-story, one-bay-square wood frame structure that rests on a parged concrete foundation. Clad in beaded vertical board siding, the building has a front gable roof clad in asphalt shingles. A wide door opening with a beaded vertical board double-leaf wood door pierces the façade.

To the northwest of the house is the circa 1930 animal shelter. The wood frame structure sits on a brick pier foundation and is clad in beaded vertical board siding. The side gable roof of the one-story structure is clad in asphalt shingles.

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Evaluation for:	National Register	N	faryland Register	not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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HISTORIC CONTEXT

The town of Maryland Line was settled in the early 18th century as New Market. Since the early 20th century, however, that name has fallen out of use in preference for the name of the Maryland Line Post Office. The town was laid out along the York Road corridor, with the majority of its residential and commercial structures fronting that road. There appears to have been little industry in and around the town of New Market. Records indicate that there existed only one gristmill west of the town along the Gunpowder Falls in the late 19th century, yet there were at least fourteen houses by 1877 in this small community south of the Pennsylvania line. The importance of the town, therefore, was as a travelers stop along the turnpike.¹

Prior to the organization of turnpikes in Baltimore County, many of the county's roads were considered unfit for use. Earlier efforts to incorporate turnpike companies originated from the county government, yet, by the turn of the 19th century, efforts to create better roads emanated from the state government's efforts to better serve the growing rural population. This action resulted in laying of a road from Baltimore, Maryland to York, Pennsylvania that would replace the winding, indirect Old York Road.² The privately organized York Turnpike Company was incorporated in 1805. Work on the new road ceased in 1810, when the thirty-five miles of road from Baltimore to the Pennsylvania Line was

¹S. B. Clemens and C. E. Clemens, From Marble Hill to Maryland Line: An Informal History of Northern Baltimore County (np. C. E. Clemens and S. B. Clemens, 1976), p. 22; see also Atlas of Baltimore County, Maryland (Philadelphia, PA: G. M. Hopkins, 1877), p. 45.

² Sherry H. Olson, *Baltimore: The Building of an American City* (Baltimore, MD: The Johns Hopkins University Press, 1997), p. 172; see also Clemens and Clemens, p. 10.

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completed. This route soon became one of the primary north/south corridors in Baltimore County.³ In 1838, the Baltimore and Susquehanna Railroad Company began construction of a line that would run northward from Baltimore nearly parallel to the York Turnpike.

It was in 1846 that Lockwood Cross acquired the land on which the Albert P. Woodruff House is located in two separate deeds from Enoch Hunt and from Joshua Hendrix. In 1847, Cross sold the property to Samuel Spencer, who retained ownership for only eight years. Although the mid-19th century county atlas indicates that Albert P. Woodruff resided in the dwelling as early as 1850, he did not acquire title to the property until 1855, when Samuel and Phoebe Spencer sold him the sixty-four acres for \$4,500.⁴ A farmer by trade, Albert Woodruff had moved to Baltimore County from Essex County, New Jersey, in 1834. The Woodruff family retained ownership of the property for the following forty-six years. In 1879, Albert and Louise Woodruff sold the farm to Henry Woodruff, who maintained the property until 1902, when he and his wife, Estelle, conveyed the house and acreage to Mary and Ella Hooper. It was during the tenure of the Hoopers that the ell was raised from one-and-a-half-stories to two-and-a-half-stories.

The Federal style, in which the Albert P. Woodruff House was designed, dominated American architecture from 1790 to 1830 as an updated style for the new republic. High-style Federal buildings are decorated with carved swags and classical motifs on the exterior as well as the interior. Federal interiors often juxtapose curvilinear and rectilinear spaces and lines. The architecture of the Albert P. Woodruff House, however, is modest, suggesting a more modest interpretation of the popular style.⁵

Although the Hooper family retained the property until 1965, it was E.H. Downs who resided in the dwelling in the 1910s, as evident in the 1915 county atlas. The Hooper family sold roughly forty-six acres of the property, including the Albert P. Woodruff House, to the Laurie Corporation. Eighteen years after Calvin Damron's 1971 acquisition of the property from the Laurie Corporation, he sold the Albert P. Woodruff House to the current owners. The change in ownership as the property passed from the Woodruff family to the Hooper family preceded the demise of York Road as the primary thoroughfare between York and Baltimore. It was during the Hooper family's tenancy on the property through the mid-20th century that York Road became the main north-south route through the county. York Road, released by the York Turnpike Company in 1910, was no longer sufficient to maintain a heavy amount of automobile traffic. In the late 20th century, Interstate 83 replaced York Road as the main route from Baltimore to York, Pennsylvania. Furthermore, in the mid- to late-20th century, substantial alterations were made to the dwelling, specifically the construction of additions and alterations to the interior plan.

³William Hollifield, *Difficulties Made Easy: History of the Turnpikes of Baltimore City and County* (Cockeysville, MD: The Baltimore County Historical Society, 1978), p. 51; see also *Atlas of Baltimore County, Maryland* (Philadelphia, PA: G. M. Hopkins, 1877), pp. 44-49.

⁴ J. C. Sidney, Map of the City and County of Baltimore, Maryland, from Original Surveys (Baltimore, MD: James M. Stephens, 1850).

⁵ Rachel Carley, The Visual Dictionary of American Domestic Architecture (New York, NY: Henry Holt and Company, 1994), p. 91.

⁶ Map of Baltimore County (Philadelphia, PA: G. W. Bromley, 1915).

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Chain of Title:

Part 1:

May 2, 1843(?):

Enoch Hunt to Lockwood Cross Land Records of Baltimore County

Liber AWB 357 Folio 365

Part 2:

May 9, 1846:

Joshua Hendrix to Lockwood Cross Land Records of Baltimore County

Liber AWB 378 Folio 1

Both:

May 8, 1847:

Lockwood Cross to Samuel C. Spencer Land Records of Baltimore County

Liber AWB 388 Folio 410

January 25, 1855:

Samuel C. Spencer and Phoebe Spencer, wife, to Albert P. Woodruff

Land Records of Baltimore County

Liber HMF 10 Folio 447

December 22, 1879:

Albert P. Woodruff and Louisa Woodruff, wife, to Henry G. Woodruff

Land Records of Baltimore County

Liber WMI 115 Folio 190

February 23, 1901:

Henry G. Woodruff to Ella Hooper and Mary S. Hooper

Land Records of Baltimore County

Liber 250 Folio 552

November 1902:

Henry G. Woodruff and Estelle T. Woodruff, wife, and Henry G. Woodruff, Trustee, to Ella Hooper

and Mary S. Hooper

Land Records of Baltimore County

Liber NBM 263 Folio 514

October 30, 1953:

James A. Hooper, widower, Elizabeth U. Hooper, unmarried, Katherine H. Bond, widow, William D.

and Lucie F. Hooper, Helen H. and Philip H. Williamson, Arthur U. and Edith Ferry Hooper,

devisees under the will of Ella Hooper, to James J. Gill

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October 30, 1953:

James J. Gill leased to William U. Hooper

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November 6, 1958:

Arthur U. Hooper and Edith Ferry Hooper, wife, to William U. Hooper

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Liber 3477 Folio 151

August 5, 1965:

William U. Hooper and Lucie Frost Hooper to The Laurie Corporation

Land Records of Baltimore County

Liber RRG 4498 Folio 142

March 25, 1971:

The Laurie Corporation to Calvin Noell Damron, Jr. and Susan Chariton Damron

Land Records of Baltimore County

Liber 5174 Folio 818

January 29, 1999:

Calvin Noell Damron, Jr. to P. Barrett Orendorff and Barbara J. Orendorff

Land Records of Baltimore County

Liber 13516 Folio 560

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property _	2 Acres		
Acreage of historical setting	64 Acres		
Quadrangle name	New Freedom	Quadrangle scale:	1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

Since circa 1830, the Albert P. Woodruff House has been associated with the two tracts known as parcel 194 on tax map 7 located in the Baltimore County Tax Assessor's Office.

11. Form Prepared by

name/title	Annie McDonald and Amanda Didden, Architectural Historians				
organization	EHT Traceries, Inc.	date	March 27, 2001		
street & number	1121 5th Street NW	telephone	202.393.1199		
city or town	Washington	state	DC		

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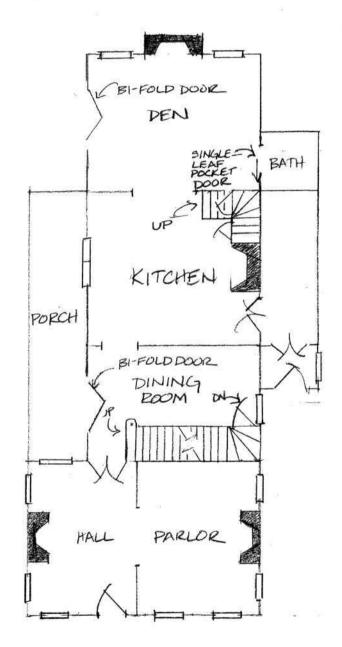
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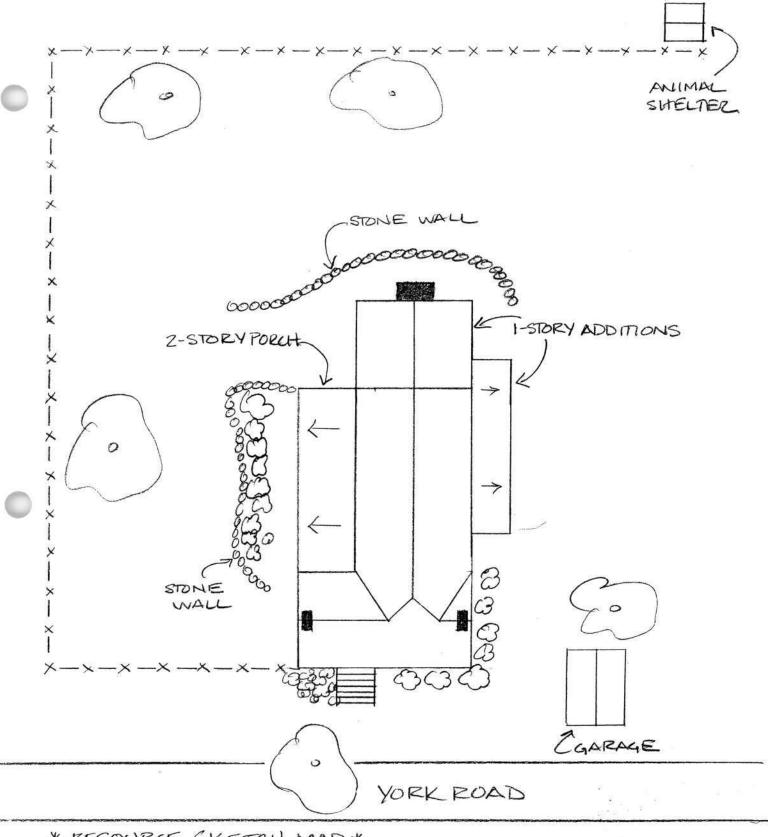
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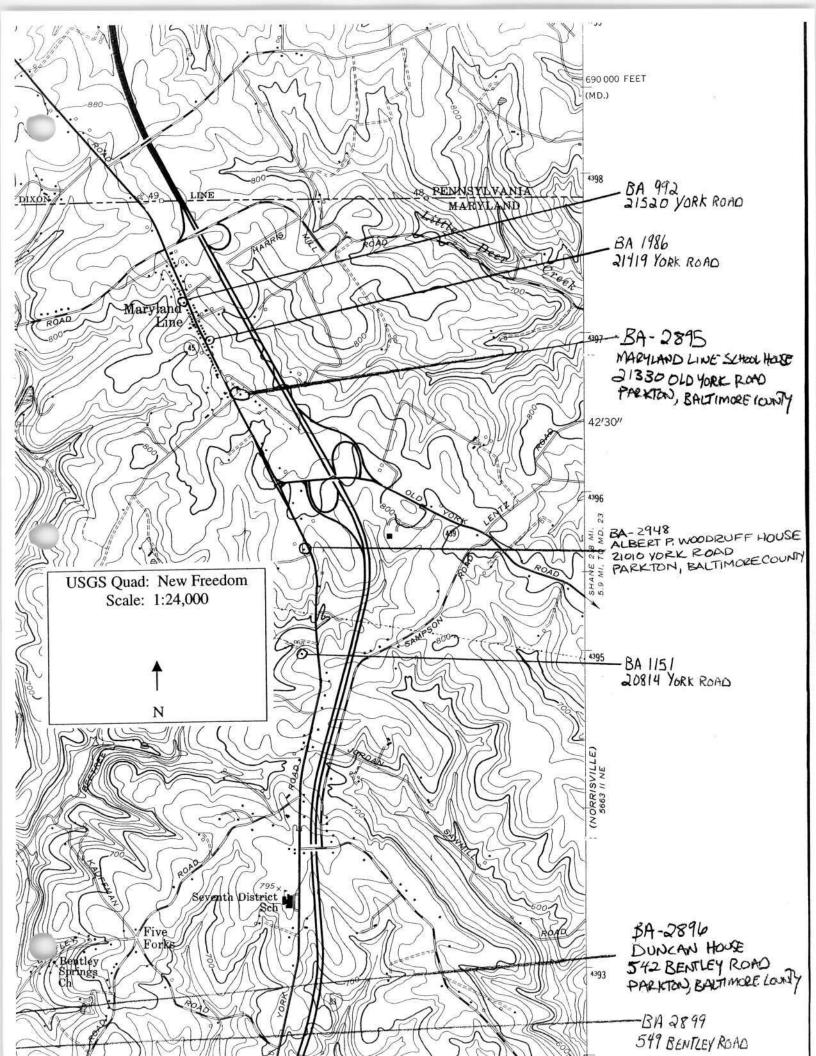


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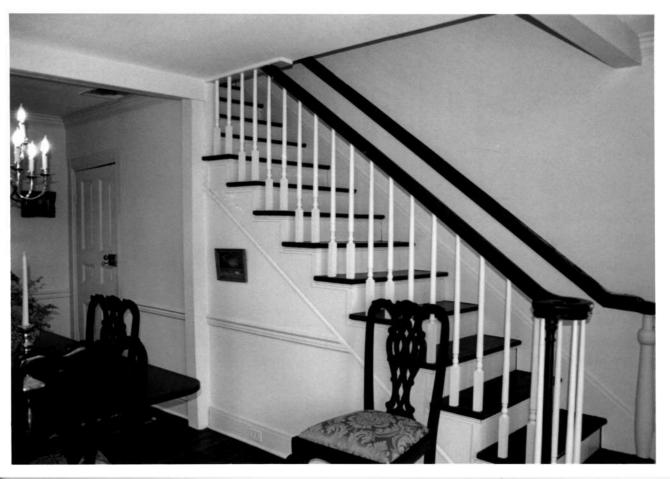
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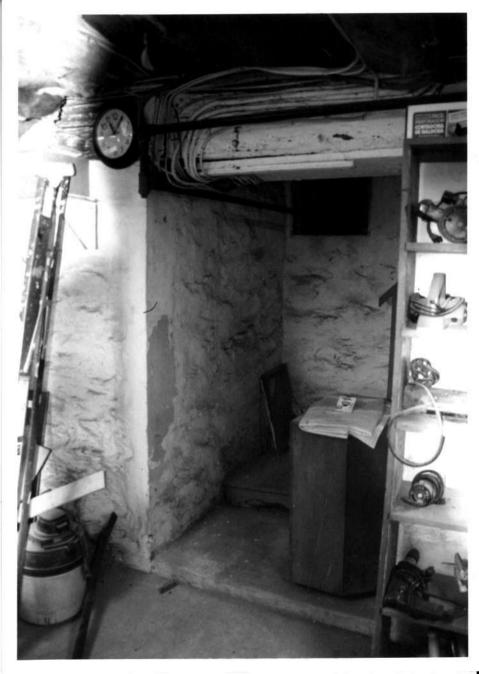
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